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MS PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

This is a Request for filing a __ continuation \(\times \) divisional __ continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. \(\) 1.53(b) of pending prior Application No. 09/793,645 filed on February 26, 2001, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference, by

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- 1. Enclosed is an application consisting of specification, claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if applicable).
- 2.

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| 4. | | Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed. |
| 5. | | the specification by inserting before the first line eof the following: |
| | a. 🗌 | This application is a continuation divisional continuation-in-part of co-pending Application No., filed on, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference and for which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120; and this application claims priority of Application No. filed in on under 35 U.S.C. § 119 |
| ÷ | b. 🗆 | This application is a continuation divisional continuation-in-part of co-pending Application No. 09/793,645, filed on February 26, 2001and for which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 120. Application No. 09/793,645 is the national phase of PCT International Application No. PCT/ filed on under 35 U.S.C. § 371. The entire contents of each of the above-identified applications are hereby incorporated by reference. This application also claims priority of Application No. filed in on under 35 U.S.C. § 119 |

| 6. | \boxtimes | Enclosed is/are $\underline{\text{five}}$ ($\underline{5}$) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs. |
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| 7a. | | A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application Noon See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status. |
| 7b. | | The current application qualifies for small entity status. |
| 8. | \boxtimes | The prior application is assigned to CIENA Corporation |
| 9. | \boxtimes | A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. |
| 10a. | | Priority of Application No(s) filed in or is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on |
| 10b. | | Priority of International Appln filed on under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and Application No filed in on under 35 U.S.C. § 120 and/or § 119 are hereby reclaimed. |
| 11. | \boxtimes | An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration. |
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| 13. | | An extension of time for() month(s) untilhas been submitted in parent Application No. 09/793,645 in order to establish co-pendency with the present application. |
| 14. | \boxtimes | Also enclosed herewith is the following: |
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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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